



Dear Parent/Carer,

We have received the following information from the Safeguarding Team which we would like to draw to your attention:

Snapchat has developed a new feature called Snapmaps which allows users to see the location of other users of snapchat. There are three possible settings, sharing with no-one (Ghost Mode), sharing with select friends (Chose which friends you share your location with) and my friends (Share your location with all your friends). Many children have a large number of "friends" on their accounts who they probably do not know well, and could be accidentally sharing their location.

We would ask that parents check their child's privacy settings if they allow their child to use Snapchat.

Full details are provide in the UK Safer Internet centre blog at <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/introducing-%E2%80%98snap-maps%E2%80%99-new-location-sharing-feature-snapchat>

Yours sincerely,

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